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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph [0032] as follows:

[0032] The host computer 500 includes a CPU 202, a memory 203, an external storage 204, an input portion 205, an interface 2086 between the host computer 500 and the recording apparatus 100. The CPU 202 performs various types of processing according to programs stored in the memory 203. For example, processing for preparing and editing an image including characters is performed according to a user input from the input portion 205. For recording such an image, image processing such as color conversion, shown in Fig. 5, is performed by a printer driver, which is one of the programs, to prepare data used in the recording apparatus 100. Specifically, R, G, and B data of the prepared and edited image are subjected to predetermined image processing, such as color conversion, output γ correction, and quantization (binarization), to yield C, M, and Y binary data. In this data processing, binary data for the carbon Bk ink for recording a black spot pattern, described later with reference to Fig. 4, is obtained. The host computer 500, which is connected to the recording apparatus 100 through the interface 2086, transmits recording data obtained by the image processing to the recording apparatus 100 to perform recording.